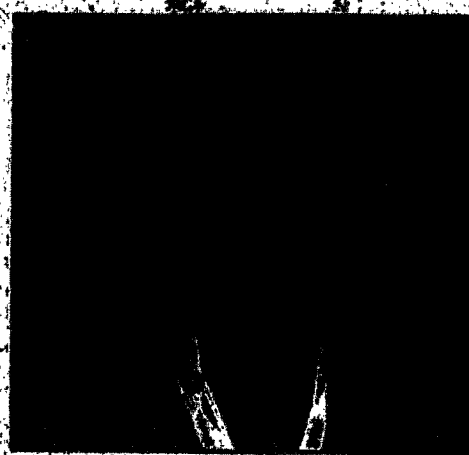


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Hancock Co. Junior Miss

Stephanie Slaughter is chosen as
the 2006 Hancock County
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Waveland Fastpitch Softball registration

The Waveland US fastpitch softball league will continue registration this weekend at the Waveland ball field on Central Ave. and the Scott Domboski soccer field in Bay St. Louis from 9 a.m.-noon. Also holding registration at the Super Wal-mart from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Raffle tickets available to help out with registration fees.

Macedonia celebrates Black History Month

Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church and pastor Rev. Clarence Sheppard Sr. will host a Black History program on Friday, Feb. 25, at 7:30 p.m. Guest speaker will be Rev. Charles Hawkins II, associated minister at PowerHouse of Deliverance Church of Bay St. Louis. Special guest Ronnie Thomas will recite "I Have a Dream." The public is welcome. The church is located at 408 Louisa St., Waveland.

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Argentinean cultural ambassador Eduardo Anibal Discoli rides through Bay St. Louis on Tuesday. He is traveling the world by horseback, spreading goodwill and his belief that dreams do come true.

Globe-trotting man from Argentina stops in Bay St. Louis Pass

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

Many people have a dream. At one time or another, sometimes wild ideas of leaving the world behind and just wandering off into the sunset. But few follow through on the idea. Fifty

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Save Our Children gives up lease

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

The Hancock Community Task Force to Save Our Children is relinquishing their lease on the building at 405 Necaise that served as a haven for many children over the past several years.

The Save Our Children Center offered a place for many children to find help with homework,

learn cooperation and manners, interact with other youth and just have a good time.

Lots of equipment, furniture, a pool table, ping-pong tables, etc. still remain at the center and are available to any organization involved in helping children. If you are interested please call the parish office at St. Rose Church at 467-7347. The building must

be vacated by March 15.

Though many passed through the doors of the center, most community members credit long time community activist and volunteer Geraldine Lang with keeping the program alive. Lang believed in the youth in the county and spent much of her life

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Parade death trial begins

Corkern charged with
manslaughter in '04 case

BY JOHN WATERMAN
Staff Writer

The trial of a Waveland man charged with manslaughter for his alleged involvement in a death following the 2004 Nereids Mardi Gras parade began Wednesday afternoon at the Hancock Courthouse.

Robert Corkern, 21, of Waveland was charged after Bryant W. Keyes, 42, of Diamondhead died two days after the incident, which took place in the parking lot of The Cajun Kitchen restaurant on Highway 603. Assistant District Attorney Chris Schmidt said in his opening statement that the altercation began when Keyes saw his daughter and her boyfriend, Christopher Nicholson, walking along the parade route. They appeared to be upset, and Keyes confronted Nicholson.

Some witnesses reported that Bryant grabbed at a pair of beads hanging

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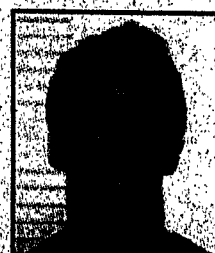
Bryant W. Keyes died after an altercation during the 2004 Nereids Mardi Gras parade in Waveland.

Boswell gets 20 years for killing baby

BY JOHN WATERMAN
Staff Writer

Despite pleas for leniency from friends and family members, James Boswell, recently convicted of manslaughter, was sentenced to the maximum term of 20 years.

Boswell had originally been charged with the capital murder of Alexis Nephew, a 10-month old girl. Alexis, whose numerous injuries included skull fractures, broken ribs and damage to her liver and spleen,



James Boswell

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Gaits to Success knows 'What It's Like to Be Me'



Gaits to Success rider, Alex Daley, proudly demonstrates therapeutic riding activities for visitors at Lynn Meadows Discovery Center with the help of Gaits volunteers, Preston Hickman, Brenda Sell, Paige Nelson and Advanced Certified Instructor, Clara Hanson (not shown). The opening of the Discovery Center's new exhibit, "What It's Like to Be Me", provided Alex with an opportunity to show off his recently won horse show ribbons as well as his riding expertise.

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Students and volunteers from Gaits to Success Therapeutic Riding Center participated in ribbon cutting activities February 19th at Lynn Meadows Discovery Center.

Sponsored by The City of Biloxi, Independent Living Services, Ms. Dept. of Rehab Services, L.I.F.E. and the Ms. Paralysis Assoc., the newest featured exhibit, "What It's Like to Be Me", offers activities which simulate the challenges encountered by handicapped children and adults.

Gaits to Success presented demonstrations representing activities used in therapeutic riding sessions held at their facility located in Kiln, Mississippi.

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The action of the horse relaxes and stimulates unused muscles, increases joint mobility and improves balance and coordination for individuals with handicapping conditions such as autism, cerebral palsy, Downs syndrome, learning disorders, and the effects of brain injury.

Gaits to Success is committed to helping students, age 3 years and older, achieve physical and mental advancements. The help of many dedicated volunteers as well as financial contributions help make these achievements possible.

Those interested in contacting Gaits to Success for more information about the program or to volunteer are encouraged to call Carolyn Rhodes at 255-5368 or Beth Benvenutti at 467-1402.

For additional information call or e-mail Beth Benvenutti, 228-467-1402, Beth@Benvenutticpa.com

Old Spanish Trail Baptist Church to host yard sale

Old Spanish Trail Baptist church, 5078 Hwy. 90 West Service Rd., will host an indoor/outdoor yard sale on Saturday, from 8 a.m.-2 p.m., rain or shine. Items for sale include lots of clothes, music.

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SUPERVISORS - Pictured left to right: Rocky Pullman, Lisa Coward, Tim Kellar, Steve Seymour, David Yarborough, Jay Cuevas and Ronnie Artigues.

The Hancock County Chamber of Commerce featured the Hancock County Board of Supervisors on Wednesday at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis for the Morning Coffee Call.

Hancock County Chamber of Commerce awards sponsored by NexCall/NexTel were presented to: Lt. Robert Thompson - Firefighter of the Year for Hancock County; Clifton Malley - Law Enforcement Person of the Year for Hancock County.



AWARDS - Hancock County Sheriff Steve Garber, Lt. Robert Thompson, Gina Tallman, Clifton Malley and John Baxter.

Hancock NAACP observes Black History Month

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

February is Black History Month and the Hancock County NAACP is rounding up participants for its Twenty-second Annual Thomas P. Clarke Black History Month Program. The event will be held at the Bay St. Louis Train Depot on Sunday, February 27, at 3 p.m. All Hancock County Youth ages 9 to 19 are eligible to participate, with winners selected in each age category. Last year about 50 youth participated in the program.

Young people are encouraged to use their imaginations when selecting a topic for performance.

In the past, participants have given musical, dance and dramatic performances, recited speeches and original poetry, given talks on famous African Americans

and told stories about their grandparents, among other topics.

The program is a format in which the young people of the county can exhibit their own unique talents. "As adults, we should provide the best environment possible to encourage young people to grow up, prosper, and become productive citizens," said organizer Bill Johnson. "Each year it has been a thing of beauty to see youngsters go to the podium with poise and self-confidence to present their performances and participate in front of large audiences."

The celebration of Black History Month in February each year was created to recall the contributions of African Americans in all aspects of American culture. The program gives youth the opportunity to examine their heritage by selecting a single topic and expanding

their knowledge of their chosen subject as they prepare for a performance.

All entrants must register by February 18 and participate in one of two rehearsals. Rehearsals will be held on Friday February 18, between 3:30 and 5:30 or on Wednesday, February 23, between 3:30 and 5:30. All rehearsals will be held at the St. Rose Parish hall at 301 South Nacaise Ave.

For the program to be successful, the NAACP needs the same community support that has been forthcoming in the past. Contributions of cash will be used to buy savings bonds, trophies, plaques and other awards. Also needed are items for gift bags which are distributed to all participants. Useful items such as pencils, pens, erasers, T-shirts, small calculators, are other promotional items which would be greatly appreciated.

Financial donations should be sent to the Hancock County Branch NAACP at Post Office Box 125, Bay St. Louis, MS, 39520. For additional information call Donna Holton at 228-466-0973, Goldie Fairconnetue at 228-467-4126 or Lonnie Bradley at 228-467-6770.

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and judged on March 15, and open to the public on Wednesday, March 16 and on Saturday, March 19. Entry for 1-4 pieces is \$20 in each category. Call 467-7052 for more details.

Hancock Little League registration continues Saturday in Waveland

Hancock Little League Girls Fastpitch Softball at Lakeshore Field will host registration for girls ages 5-18 who live anywhere in the

county from 10-2 on Saturday, Feb. 26, Waveland Market Center. \$20! Birth certificate required. Also need volunteers.

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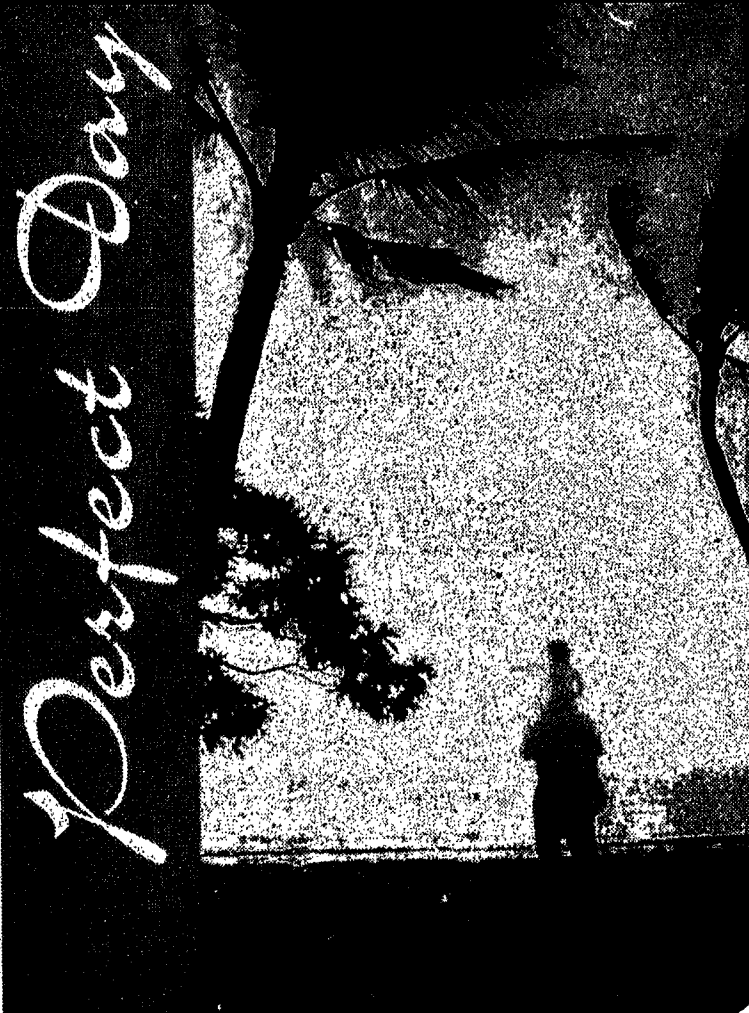
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Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas
Publisher Emeritus

It's not too late to help with 'Christmas'

No it is not too late to become involved in Christmas in April, Hancock County style.

The date for Christmas in April is Saturday, April 30, 2005.

As a matter of fact, much has already been done in preparation for the big day, while there is still more to be accomplished before April 30.

Christmas in April is a Special Day when several deserving folks receive through the efforts of more fortunate, who come together to repair and rehabilitate the homes of low income and elderly of the community.

There are two areas which still need some participation, according to Margaret Hadden, spokesman of Hancock County Christmas in April.

Mrs. Hadden, several years ago along with several others made Christmas in April a reality in Hancock County. She had been involved in the program in Harrison County.

Basil Kennedy, the first president of Christmas in April said, "We are a Council of Christmas in April of Harrison County and want to thank them for their cooperation."

On Tuesday, Kennedy said they have one dozen groups to each take a home, and now have 8 or 10 homes so far, so they

need more to be submitted.

There is a committee that selects the homes to be rehabilitated.

And of course, there still could possibly be need for several more teams to be sponsored by a church, business, industry, etc., in addition to more help and materials needed, according to Kennedy.

All types of trades can be used to work with other groups too, and volunteers do not need to be skilled in home repairs, but any skills will be utilized.

In a recent conversation with Hadden, she said there is also a need for funds to purchase supplies, and also donations of supplies for the necessary work.

Christmas in April does repairs in the following areas: carpentry, plumbing, electrical, plastering, painting, weather stripping, as well as trash removal and cleaning. So, all types of supplies can be used.

If you would like to submit a residence to be considered, send it to Christmas in April, P.O. Box 483, Bay St. Louis, MS. 39520.

Also use the same address to send a donation.

For further information, call Judy Reeves, Hancock Council president at 467-5044, Hadden at 467-1082, Kennedy at 467-7257.

What's next for Bernie Ebbers?

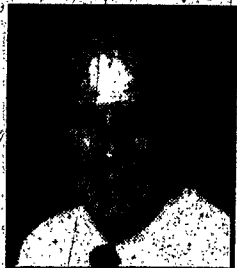
Oddly, Reid Weingarten, the lawyer for former WorldCom chief executive Bernie Ebbers in the \$11 billion fraud that brought down the Mississippi-based telecommunications company, twice before was the prime litigator in cases involving high-profile Mississippians.

In the 1980s, Weingarten had been the government's chief prosecutor in convicting U.S. District Court Judge Walter L. Nixon of Biloxi on an obscure federal charge that led to Nixon's impeachment and removal from the bench by the U.S. Senate.

Two decades later, as a private attorney, Weingarten had defended and won an acquittal of Agriculture Secretary Mike Espy on 34 counts growing

out of alleged coziness with giant chicken processor, Tyco.

Espy, an African-American, had given up his U.S. House seat in 1993 to take an appointment in President Clinton's cabinet.



Eyes on Mississippi
By Bill Minor

Nineteen years ago, Weingarten was then the hottest pistol in the Justice Department's Public Integrity Section, who had already scalped several political figures, including a Congressman.

He was assigned to come down to Mississippi and defrock Nixon, a 22-year veteran on the federal bench who earlier had been a thorn in the side of the Justice Department when the U.S. acquired a privately owned portion of a barrier island for the proposed Gulf National Seashore.

Weingarten presided over a 1986 federal grand jury in Hattiesburg that investigated Nixon over allegations he had received gratuities for illegal favors, bringing back several indictments against the feisty jurist.

A trial court, however, found Nixon innocent of receiving any kickbacks, the central reason for the grand jury probe.

But the trial jury did convict Nixon on a narrowly-based charge of having given false testimony to the grand jury. Trial jurors believed the version of the now deceased wealthy Hattiesburg contractor/oilman Wiley Fairchild rather than Nixon concerning a conversation between the two at a friends lodge about a drug charge against Fairchild's son.

Ironically, the drug case was in state, rather than federal, jurisdiction and beyond Nixon's authority. Of further bitter irony, several weeks after Nixon's conviction, Fairchild recant-

ed his testimony and admitted he had been coached by Weingarten. But a hard-boiled, ailing trial judge sent down from Missouri to hear the case refused to reopen it or reconsider Nixon's five-year sentence.

That led to Nixon's impeachment by Congress and removal from his lifetime seat on the federal bench. The proud Biloxian, once the close confidant of Mississippi's longtime U.S. Sen. James O. Eastland, had to spend 20 months in a federal lockup and not only lost his \$100,000 a year job, but his federal retirement and medical benefits as well.

In hindsight, Nixon's mistake had been to voluntarily appear before the grand jury investigating him and fall into a he-said/I-said trap with a wily political operative like Fairchild.

Ironically, several years before his downfall, Nixon was offered an elevation to

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Lott's off base on Social Security

Dear Editor: Senator Lott paints a very rosy picture of the proposed privatization of Social Security; however, let us look at a few things he omitted in human and financial costs if 30%+ (4% of 12.5%) of Social Security Funds are transferred to brokerage houses.

No provision was made for the survivor and disability income portions of the Act. When reminded of this omission, an administration spokesman suggested a 56% cut in benefits. This would force widows, widowers, orphans and the disabled to apply for welfare, food stamps and Medicaid, increasing costs by billions. Transition costs are estimated at \$2 trillion, which

would have to be borrowed. Administration costs would include a new agency of a projected 10,000 employees, facilities to house and equipment.

If billions of dollars are transferred to the stock market, there would be, in the short term, massive stock inflation but, in the long term, deflation and possible crash, as the stock would not be able to sustain such a large price/earnings ratio, dividends would fall, and investors would start pulling out.

Add to the estimated additional costs of privatization: the 2 tax cuts are substantially reducing income; the 2 wars are costing some \$2 billion per week; the surplus is gone and the debt

Letters to the Editor



ceiling has been raised; Medicare Drug costs will add an estimated \$724 billion to the debt; there is a large deficit in the balance of trade; the same nations who hold the balance of trade debt are also purchasing the Treasury Bills the US uses to finance its debt, eg. China and the Opec

Nations. Additionally, the dollar has already fallen against the Euro and the Yen. A formula for disaster. Please contact your congressmen and advise them of your thoughts on this issue.

Donna Schmidt
Waveland, MS

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the Fifth U.S. Court of Appeals by Mississippi Senators Thad Cochran and Trent Lott, but he declined, contending he preferred to remain a trial judge.

Nixon had come into the Justice Department's crosshairs in the early 80s when he ruled that owners of a portion of Petit Bois island were entitled to several hundred thousand dollars more than the government wanted to pay to acquire the island. Even though the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals upheld Nixon's ruling, disgruntled government lawyers fanned rumors Nixon had been on the take.

As it were, Weingarten became the hatchet-man who nailed Nixon's scalp on the government's wall and Nixon still has no love for

him as he defends Mississippi's Ebbers, who not long ago was this state's shining star in the world of business.

With Espy, however, the Weingarten story is more of the good-cop variety, since he saved him from being made the fall-guy when the Clinton Administration was threatened in 1994 with a Gingrich-led GOP takeover of Congress. When allegations of gift-taking from Tyson Foods surfaced against Espy, then-Atty. Gen. Janet Reno pushed for a special counsel to investigate her fellow Cabinet member. "You wouldn't see that happening in the Bush Administration," Espy, now a Jackson attorney, opined to me last week, adding: "they take care of their own."

Espy had been indicted by D.C. federal court in 1994 on 38 counts, largely triggered by a little-known 1920 law prohibiting a Secretary of Agriculture accepting gifts from anyone he regulates. Four of the counts were immediately dismissed by the judge.

Clinton personally didn't ask Espy to resign, but Leon Panetta, Clinton's chief of staff, broke the news to the former Mississippi congressman. Fearing Republicans would feast on Espy's troubles in the 1994 elections, Panetta told him it would be best if he stepped down, although the Administration was confident he had done no wrong.

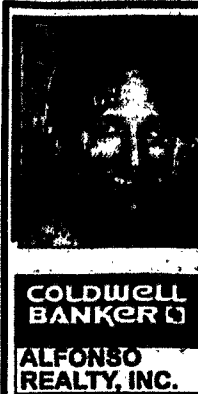
At first, Espy did not take the allegations raised against him seriously, but he was convinced by his

friend, then-Secretary of Commerce Ron Brown, to hire Weingarten.

The charges against Espy turned out to be niggling, involving no more than goodies average members of Congress get regularly, but Weingarten won Espy's acquittal on each of them.

Even cleared of guilt, Espy's promising political career was brought to an end. Weingarten is described by The New York Times as Ebbers, "folksy" lawyer bouncing on the balls of his feet around the Manhattan courtroom like a basketball coach.

Back in Mississippi, Nixon, stripped of his judicial robes and now in his 70s, is rebuilding a modest law career. The question now: what's next for Ebbers?



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Hancock 4-H Marksmen meet

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The 2005 start-up meeting of 4-H Field and Stream Shooting Sports season will be held on Thursday, February 24, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiln Library. Any youth in Hancock County between the ages of 8 - 18 can participate. It does not cost anything to join 4-H.

The Mississippi 4-H Field and Stream Program is a joint venture between the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Mississippi State University Extension Service, and 4-H. 4-H Field and Stream strives to enable young people aged 8-18 years, their parents, and adult volunteers to become responsible, self-directed, and productive members of society via involvement in shooting sports activities.

Some of the goals of the 4-H Shooting program are to enhance development of self-concept, character, and personal growth through safe, educational, and socially acceptable involvement in shooting activities; to teach safe and responsible use of sporting equip-

ment to include firearms and archery equipment; to promote the highest standards of safety, sportsmanship, and ethical behavior; to strengthen families through participation in life-long recreational activities; and to expose participants to the broad array of vocational and lifelong avocational activities related to shooting sports.

If you are interested in joining the 4-H Marksmen Club or want more information concerning the club contact Marcia Freeman (255-9757) or Margaret Howell, Hancock County 4-H Youth Agent (467-5456).

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Karen Alyshia Kennedy and Aaron Corey Schwartz

Kennedy-Schwartz

Karen Alyshia Kennedy, daughter of P.J. and Irene Kennedy of Nicholson, Miss., will marry Aaron Corey Schwartz, son of Sonny and Kelly Schwartz of Bay St. Louis, Miss. on Saturday, Feb. 26, 2005 at the Hancock County Civic Center at 6 p.m., with a reception immediately fol-

lowing. All friends and family are welcome.

Miss Kennedy is a 1998 graduate of Hancock High School, and is presently employed at Casino Magic, Bay St. Louis. Mr. Schwartz is a 1997 graduate of Hancock High School and is presently employed at J&B Construction.

BSL Babe Ruth Baseball registration

The Bay St. Louis Babe Ruth Baseball League will conduct registration for children ages 4 through 15 years during February and March. Registration will be held at the Bay St. Louis baseball complex on Athletic Drive on the following dates:

Thursday, February 17 between 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Thursday, February 24th between 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Tuesday, March 1st between 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Thursday, March 3rd between 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.; and Tuesday, March 8th between 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Anyone interested in serving as a coach should also register during any of these times. For additional information contact Kelly Cannon (467-2323) or Ronnie Artigues (466-9375).

St. Thomas, garden club plan Dead Sea Scrolls trip March 17

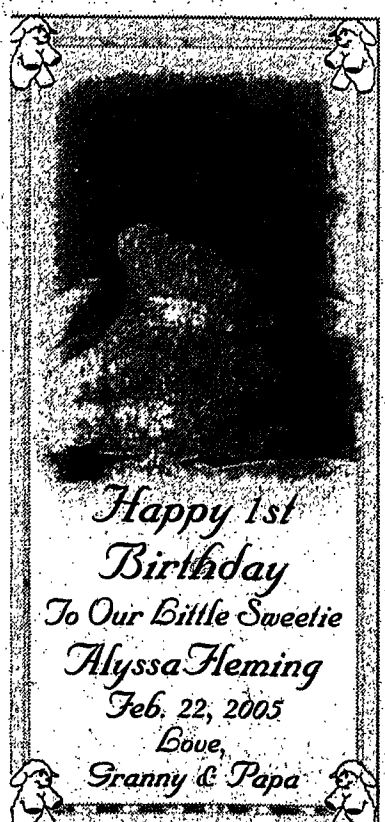
St. Thomas Episcopal Church and Diamondhead Garden Club plan a joint excursion to see the Dead Sea Scrolls, and enjoy a Mediterranean lunch buffet at the Mobile Exploreum on March 17, 2005. This is an exhibit of Biblical proportions, featuring 12 authentic scrolls, including the oldest copies of the Bible and a Deuteronomy text with the Ten Commandments.

A bus will pick up riders at the Community Center parking in front of St. Thomas Episcopal Church between 8:30 a.m. and 8:45 a.m. with a return not later than 5 p.m.

Your check is your reservation and that may be dropped off at the St. Thomas Episcopal Church office during working hours. You may contact Sue Stewart at 255-1953 or Leila Thissell at 255-3639 for information.

Admission to the exhibit is \$14.00 per person; lunch is \$12 for the buffet and the bus charges \$20.80 per per-

son, for a total of \$46.80. Anyone interested in seeing the Dead Sea Scrolls is invited and may call the above mentioned phone numbers for further information.



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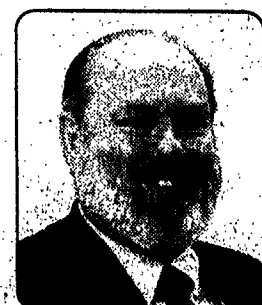
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LOCAL GYMNAST TAKES HOME 5 GOLD MEDALS - Lizzy Tenney, daughter of Joseph and Suzanne Tenney recently competed at the River Boat Classic Invitational in Slidell, La. She is in the 6th grade, and an honor student at Bay-Waveland middle school. She trains at Karen's school for gymnastics in Long Beach. She took first place on uneven bars, first place on balance beam, 1st place on floor exercise, 1st place on vault and 1st all around. Lizzy Tenney is training for state championship in March. She is coached by Karen Schenck Farnsworth and Tim Farnsworth.

Lease -- SOC

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working to help kids, many of whom had no one else to care.

After Lang left the organization, board members began to think of turning the space into a teen center and began to work on the idea. The arrival of the Boys and Girls Club began to fill a need for younger children, but there was still nowhere for older children to congregate.

With a change in venue it was also decided that a survey of the building to assess repairs was in order. Though the board had some funds available to make repairs, the needed repairs were estimated at several times the funds available, said Board President Bruce Northridge. A piecemeal approach to those repairs was not recommended,

Northridge said, though that was the only approach finances would allow. The only course of action possible under the circumstances was to turn the lease back over to the county, he said, especially with the loss of funding from the United Way.

"We feel we've had a pretty good run at it," said Northridge. "Unfortunately, we feel that the need for a place especially for older children is as critical as it has ever been. We offer our prayers of encouragement to any in the community working to meet that need."

The Task Force will continue to operate as a 501-C-3 organization and look for ways to help the community help the children, Northridge said.

World Day of Prayer

On Friday, March 4, at 10 a.m. Diamondhead churchmen and women will gather at St. Thomas Episcopal Church to observe World Day of Prayer. Sponsored by Church Women United,

the annual event brings together men and women of various faiths, traditions, and nationalities in 170 countries all over the world. Childcare is provided. Call St. Thomas at 255-1387.

Horsing -- globe-trotter

three year old Argentinean Eduardo Discoli is the exception. A little more than three years ago Discoli, did just that: He jumped on his horse and set out alone on a trip around the world. On Tuesday, his journey led him through Waveland and Bay St. Louis.

Discoli, who speaks very little English, is traveling with four companions, all horses. The four were making their way down Hwy. 90 for an overnight stop in Pass Christian. Two Bay St. Louis Police cars escorted Discoli through town and across the Bay bridge, Juan Alejandro served as interpreter.

"It is dream from a long time ago," said Discoli. "I am trying to break the world record for travel on horseback."

By the time Discoli travels on to New York, Montreal, goes on to Europe, then reaches Africa - where he will visit Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, and Libya - he will have traveled more than 20,000 miles. He plans to return to Brazil and make his way home. The journey, he estimates, will take another four years.

Discoli was inspired, he says, by another traveler, Aimee Felix Tschiffely, who made a similar journey in 1925. Tschiffely rode two Patagonian ponies off of the Argentine pampas and traveled for 10,000 miles from Buenos Aires to as far north as Washington D.C. Tschiffely's journey took him two-and-a-half years.

Discoli has no large sponsors for his journey, he said,

only the support of his brothers back in Argentina and friends there and along the way.

"American's are wonderful," he said with a big smile across his face.

In Argentina, Discoli was a farmer on land of which his family members have been proprietors for more than 60 years, the Farm Chaja. The family raises grains, horses and pigs.

He is in no hurry to finish his journey and makes frequent stops along the way, sometimes for a week at a time, he said.

"Many people have this dream, to do this," said Discoli.

He deems himself to be a cultural minister, but maybe, more so, he is a reminder that dreams do come true.

OLA to host Lenten dinner this Friday

The Our Lady Academy Booster Club will host a Lenten dinner this Friday, 5-7 p.m., with fried fish, salad, hushpuppies, dessert & soft drink for \$6, at the OLA-BCE gym. Dine in or carry-out. Tickets available at the door. Call 216-0707 for more information.

Baby

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died soon after authorities responded to a medical emergency at Boswell's home in Bay St. Louis on the night of March 5, 2003.

Boswell's mother, stepfather and cousin all testified that he was a gentle, passive individual, kind to small children and animals, and very considerate of his family. They asked that he be given a lesser sentence so that he might be able to salvage his life.

Judge Jerry O. Terry said that while he found the testimony of those speaking on Boswell's behalf sympathetic, he was unable to ignore from the gruesome facts surrounding the case.

"I could not divorce myself from the image...of the child's injuries," Terry said during the sentencing. "The most leniency I see is the leniency afforded by the jury."

Alexis had been left in the care of Boswell by her aunt, Scarlet Morlier, who

was baby-sitting that evening. When she and two friends, Paul Mutter and Matt Payard, returned, they found police and emergency vehicles outside of the building and attempted to flee.

During the trial, Boswell's attorney, Thomas Berry raised many questions about the culpability of these other individuals.

A toxicology report issued by the Mississippi Crime Lab in Jackson indicated that a urine sample from Alexis tested positive for cocaine. Berry attempted to enter this report into evidence on the second to last day of the trial, but was not admitted, as the defense had been in possession of the report since October of 2003.

Boswell was taken to The Hancock County Jail, where he will await transport to The Mississippi Department of Corrections, Parchman, at a later date.

Manslaughter

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around Nicholson's neck, and began to yell at him. At this point, Corkern and his family, who were stuck in traffic on Highway 603 saw the altercation. Corkern's mother and uncle, who were both correctional officers at The Hancock County Justice facility sought to intervene.

Reports from different witnesses vary at this point. Some say Corkern hit Keyes during the ensuing argument; some say that he struck him only after Keyes hit Corkern's sister.

"For all intents and purposes, when (Keyes) was struck, his life ceased to exist," Schmidt said.

Corkern's attorney Todd Thriffly painted a different

picture of the incident. He said Corkern hit Keyes only after Keyes struck his sister in the face and "knocked her cold."

"(Corkern) did not mean to kill Mr. Keyes," he said. "He was defending his family. He did what any man would have done."

The trial is expected to continue for the rest of the week.

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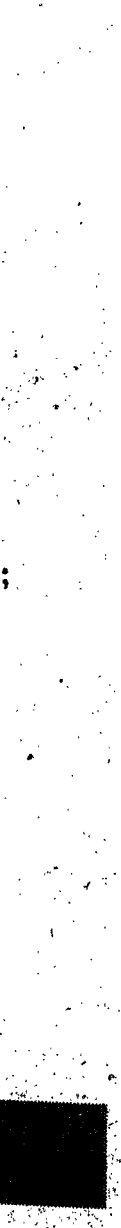
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Business News

Casino Magic Holds Job Fair to fill open positions

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Casino Magic Bay St. Louis, one of the largest employers in Hancock County, is holding a job fair the first Friday in March in the Cypress Cove Ballroom in the casino's Bay Tower Hotel. The job fair is scheduled for March 4, at 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Casino Magic Bay St. Louis currently employs approximately 1,200 people and plans to fill as many as 70 openings ranging from a variety of entry level positions to specialized management positions.

All applicants are encouraged to attend and are asked to be prepared for an

on-site interview, if required. Current job openings are listed in Sunday's newspaper and candidates can apply on the Casino Magic Bay St. Louis website at www.casinomagic-baystlouis.com <<http://www.casinomagic-baystlouis.com>>.

Casino Magic Bay St. Louis offers competitive

wages, medical, dental and vision insurance, life insurance, short and long-term disability insurance, flexible spending accounts, an onsite medical clinic, free meals, paid time off, 401(k), and a bonus referral program. Available jobs include restaurant managers, hosts and hostesses, room atten-

dants, transportation dispatchers, housekeeping positions, slots floor persons, chefs, bakers, cooks, custodians, laundry attendants, management and supervisory positions.

Casino Magic also takes

applications at its Human Resources offices Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. For more information, call Casino Magic's Human Resources Department at: (228) 466 - 8002 or 1-800-5-MAGIC-5. EOE/Drug Free.



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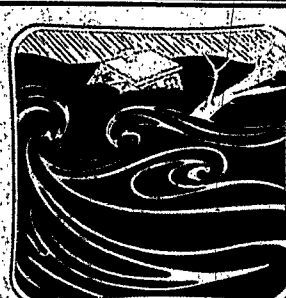
Businesses urged to help with baskets

The local Mary Kay Cosmetics unit headed by Antonia Hayden is sponsoring "Adopt a Grandparent" for Easter.

Volunteers are making small Easter baskets that will consist of a small plush animal (chick or bunny), a few plastic eggs several different bath & body products. These baskets will be wrapped in pastel shrink wrap and a colorful bow.

In our local area, Dunbar Village, Twin Oaks and Dixie White House Nursing homes have a total of 210 residents. Volunteers are asking businesses to adopt as many grandparents as possible.

To participate, call 228-216-TONI (8664) or e-mail Hayden at tonihayden@marykay.com.



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Grocery owner to speak at DB&PA meeting today

The Diamondhead Business and Professional Association will host its membership meeting today, Thursday, Feb. 24, 8-9 a.m. in the Diamondhead Country Club.

Guest speaker will be Charles Ciaccio, the new owner of Diamondhead Super Market. Ciaccio purchased the store including the Waveland, Long Beach and Gulfport locations from long time owner Howard Hamilton. He will let the group know what changes and improvements are planned for our favorite

food store.

The DB&PA board of directors will host business after hours. It will be held in the lounge and deck area of the Diamondhead Yacht Club. Jassby Construction is rebuilding the right wing of the Diamondhead entry gate. It was hit by a car. The car owner and his insurance is paying for the repair.

If you would like to host a business after hours, or know of an interesting speaker to invite to the meetings, please call 255-6111 or 669-6111.

International Trade Club to meet today

"Latin American Trade" will be the topic of Enrique Hurtado, Deputy Director of the Port of Gulfport at the International Trade Club of Mississippi meeting today, February 24, at the Great Southern Club in Gulfport.

Hurtado was formerly with the Mississippi Development Authority where he assisted Mississippi companies in finding markets for their products in Latin America.

This meeting is beneficial for both the importer and exporter. Cocktails and networking will begin at 6:00 p.m. with dinner at 6:45 p.m. Dinner will be \$18.95 per person with a compli-

mentary open bar. Make your reservations by telephone at 228-868-6609 or by email to mgp3@aol.com.

The Mississippi World Trade Center is holding a Women's Conference in Biloxi on March 8 and 9, at the Beau Rivage for women involved in international trade. Contact Barbara Travis, Executive Director of the MSWTC in Jackson at 601-353-0909 if you would like to attend.

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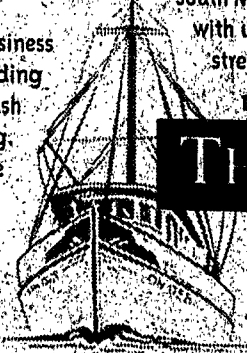
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'Art for Earth's Sake' Benefit set

The Sierra Club will be hosting an "Art for Earth's Sake" fundraiser in Bay St. Louis at the Key of the Sea, one of the few designated Mississippi Landmarks on the Gulf Coast. The event will take place on Sunday, February 27, from 2 to 5 p.m. and will include a silent art auction, a cash bar and food. Live music will be provided by popular singer-songwriter Rochelle Harper and her band.

The site for the benefit, "The Key of Sea," was originally built in 1913 as an elementary school for Bay Saint Louis. The raised West Indies Plantation style building was recently renovated by Ellis Anderson, award-winning jewelry designer and owner of Quarter Moon Gallery. The building also houses artist Lee Robertson's painting studio and metal sculpture studio. The art auction will include fine art and contemporary crafts by many eminent regional artists. Among the items up for bid is an original painting, "Barrier Island," by Lori Gordon, whose fabric collage on Creole heritage was recently acquired by the Smithsonian. Lee Robertson has donated two of his popular giclee prints, "The Mist" and "Night Storm," are the latest in his series of oil paintings depicting life along the Gulf Coast. Another key item is an original design in sterling silver and 18k gold by Anderson. Her jewelry and gallery, Quarter Moon, were just chosen by Southern Living Magazine for inclusion in their "Favorites" in the South" issue for the second

time.

The benefit proceeds will be used by Sierra Club to fund their efforts to reduce pollution in Mississippi. Sierra club members have led the movement to bring about reductions in pollution levels on the Gulf Coast. According to Gulf Coast Sierra Club chair, Brenda Songi, "The American Lung Association has given the Coast an 'F' for air quality.

Among their current projects, Sierra Club is working in the legislature to prevent a bill that would transfer the Office of Geology—which regulates sand and gravel mining, as well as offshore oil drilling—from the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality to the Mississippi Development Authority. The club is also heading efforts to oppose two very dangerous proposed Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) terminals in Pascagoula. Sierra Club lobbyist Louie Miller in Jackson is promoting legislation that will close the loopholes that have allowed septic tanks to be installed in wetlands areas where such systems malfunction, polluting local water bodies and causing threats to public health.

The Key of Sea is located two blocks from the beach in Bay St. Louis at 300 Third Street, on the corner of Citizen and Third streets. The entire house and grounds with their magnificent live oaks will be open for the event. For more information or directions call Sierra Club at 228-872-3457 or Quarter Moon Gallery at 228-467-7279.



Tommie Ray and Alice Spiers of Bay St. Louis, in 1954, left, and today.

Tommie and Alice Spiers Celebrate 50th

Tommie Ray and Alice Spiers of Bay St. Louis, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary, Saturday, November 27th at the Hancock County Civic Center.

The couple was married December 5, 1954, in a small ceremony in Logtown, MS.

She is the former Alice Shubert. The couple have five children; three sons;

Michael Spiers and wife Wanda, Glen Spiers, and wife Patty, Douglas Spiers, Sr. and two daughters, Karen Spiers Jackson and husband Randy and Joan Spiers Lewis and husband

John, 10 grandchildren and 8 great-grand children.

Tommie and Alice would like to thank all their family and friends for coming to help celebrate their special occasion.

WCA St. Patrick's Parade forming

Application forms are now available for anyone who would like to participate in the Waveland Civic Association's 41st annual St. Patrick's Parade.

The parade is scheduled for Saturday, March 12 at 2 p.m.

All entrants must fill out an application, notarize it and send it back to the

Waveland Civic Association by the March 11 deadline.

There will be first, second and third place trophies awarded in various categories.

Categories include family floats, business/organization floats and marching groups. In addition, all floats will be judged and awarded trophies for most

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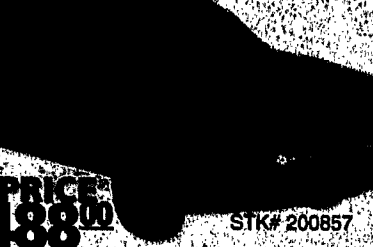
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Central Bible Church cordially invites you to a special time of ministry as Mrs. Judy Marbry, Christian ventriloquist ministers in the morning worship service on Sunday, March 6, at 10:45 a.m. Everyone is invited. A love

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Hancock Junior Miss



2006 Hancock Jr. Miss Winners include, from left: Tasia Poyadou, Fitness and First Alternate; Rachel Selzer, Scholastic; Haylee Schmitt, Spirit of Junior Miss; and Stephanie Slaughter, Talent, Interview, Self-Expression and 2006 Hancock County Junior Miss.



2006 Hancock Jr. Miss Stephanie Slaughter



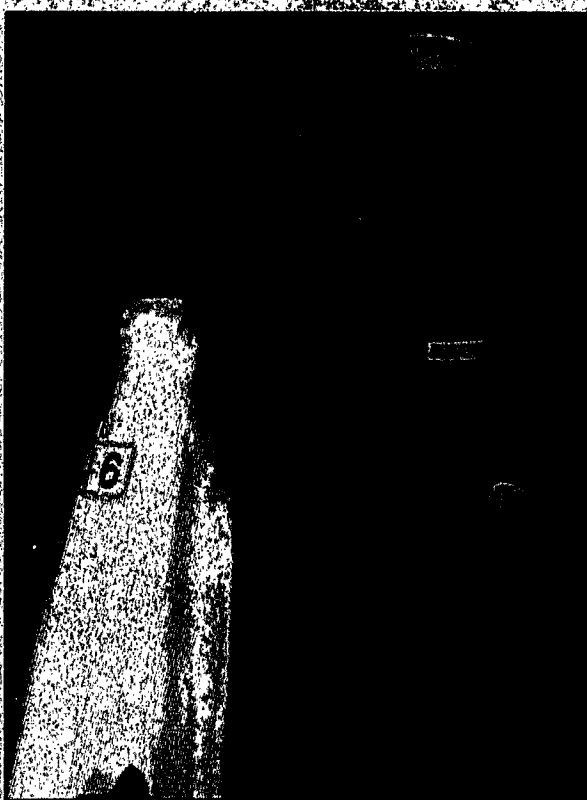
Saron Mitchell, 2005 Junior Miss, congratulates Stephanie Slaughter on her 2006 Hancock Junior Miss crown.



2006 Hancock Jr. Miss Stephanie Slaughter with Conner McCutchen



Tasia Poyadou with Skylar Hudson



Rachel Selzer with escort



Kaylee Schmitt with escort



Heidi Egloff with escort



Anna Stuart with Dustin Davis

Stephanie Slaughter named 2006 Hancock Junior Miss

The 2006 Junior Miss Program held Saturday, February 12, at Hancock County Junior High School Auditorium. The theme this year was "Junior Miss Celebrates America." Color Guard was presented by Cpl. Trang, Cpl. Miller, Cpl. Trung, and Sgt. Stiles from Keesler Air Force Base. These marines also served as escorts, as well as, Pfc. Haas, Pfc.

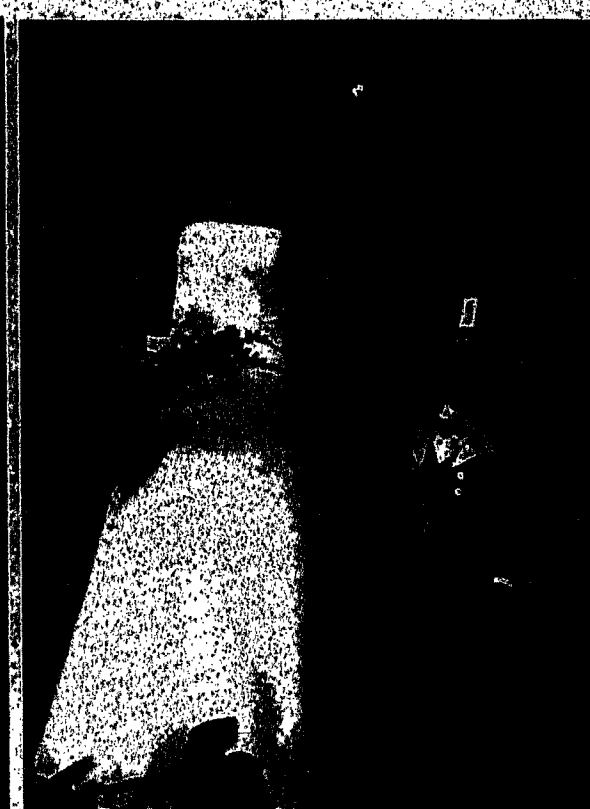
Panovaec, LCpl. Shelly, LCpl. Smith, LCpl. Torres, LCpl. White, Sgt. White and Sgt. Raif. The Pledge was led by Saron Mitchell, 2005 Hancock county Junior Miss. The opening fanfare included the contestants and young boys dancing to "Yankee Doodle" and "You're a Grand Ole Flag." This year's contestants were Ashley Parnell, Katherine Guichet, Anna Stuart, Heidi Egloff, Tasia Poyadou, Rachel Selzer, Kaylee Schmitt and

Stephanie Slaughter. "Yankee Doodles" were Tyler Creacy, Mattlan Ladner, Dustin Davis, Cooper Compretta, Skylar Hudson, Nicholas Bevis, Michael Lombardino, and Conner McCutchen. The fitness routine was done to "R.O.C.K. in the USA" and "Kids in America." All choreography was done by Miranda Compretta, Lindsey Miller, 2001 Mississippi Junior Miss.

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Katherine Guichet with Mattlan Ladner



Ashley Parnell with Tyler Creacy

Sports

Bay, HHS & SSC survive; Rocks host 4A South State tourney

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
Staff Writer

The stage has been set for another three great days of basketball Hancock County. With the St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws defeating Forrest County Agricultural High School 70-24 on Tuesday night, the boys Class 4A South State tournament will be held at the Brother Peter Memorial Gymnasium on the SSC campus.

The tournament will begin on Thursday afternoon at 4pm and feature four games that night. On Friday and Saturday, there will be two games each night to determine the three teams that will represent the South in Class 4A state tournament in Jackson.

The Rocks (27-5) used some hot outside shooting in the first half and inspired defense in the second half to dispose of the Aggies 70-24 in first round action of the South State playoffs.

SSC head coach Jay Ladner commented, "We did not play defense with any energy in the first half; however, we did shoot the ball well. In the second half, we wore them down with our defense. Their plan was to choke-off our inside game and they did accomplish that; however, that gave our guards some opportunities to take some uncontested shots in the first half."

SSC opened a 19-6 lead on the Aggies after the first period and opened the difference up to 38-17 by halftime. The defense by the Rocks allowed Forrest County to collect just seven points the entire second half.

Derrick Willis and Michael Cure combined for nine three-pointers in the Rocks' backcourt. Willis led the team in scoring with 19 points including five treys followed by Cure with 18 points and Mike Rice with 10 points.

The Rocks will play McComb on Thursday evening at 8:30pm. McComb advanced to the second round by virtue of an 81-57 win over Wayne County.

Ladner stated, "We will

definitely have our hands full on Thursday against McComb. At one point they were ranked #1 in the state. They beat us last year in the South State tournament at George County by two points and they have most of those players back this year. This will be a very tough game for us."

The Bay High Tigers (16-17) defeated the Laurel Tornados 54-48 to advance to the second round of the South State tournament.

The Tigers opened a 19-9 lead over Laurel in the first period behind the hot hands of Braxton Rockwell and George Easley. Rockwell bagged 8 points while Easley sank three treys.

The Tiger pushed that lead to 29-17 by halftime as the hot shooting continued. Rockwell had 16 points at halftime.

In the second half, the Tiger defense turned somewhat lax and Laurel fought their way back into the game. Bay High ended the third period leading 40-31.

Bay High head coach Alan Lumpkin commented, "We played one of our best halves of basketball this year in the first half. We executed well on both ends of the court in the first half. We quit executing late in the game and needed our performance from the foul line to keep the win for us. In the last minute, we were 6-for-6 at the line. Give Laurel credit because they stepped up their game in the late stages."

Braxton Rockwell led the Tigers with 24 points followed by Lorenzo Lewis and George Easley with 11 points each.

The Tigers will play the winner of the Jim Hill/West Jones matchup at 5:30pm at SSC. Game details were unavailable at press time. Other South State tournament games are Mendenhall versus George County at 4pm and Stone County versus Northeast Lauderdale at 7pm. Mendenhall advanced with a 58-56 win over Terry while George County defeated Pass Christian 81-67. Stone County eliminated Vancleave 62-57 while

Northeast Lauderdale slipped past Lawrence County 47-41.

On Monday, February 21st the Bay High Lady Tigers and the Hancock Lady Hawks each garnered wins in the first round of the high school girls basketball South State playoffs.

The Bay High Lady Tigers (29-1) took care of business against a pesky group of Lady Tornados from Laurel 89-55.

Bay High's top two scorers, Kendra Reed and Destiny Porter, combined for 67 points against Laurel while Tamara Reed added 11 points.

Bay High head coach Debbie Triplett stated, "I thought we played well tonight. We are glad to get this first one past us. We defended very well tonight, also. Shasta Husband can really shoot the ball well and we had hands in her face each time she shot the ball."

The Lady Tigers jumped out to a 28-19 lead in the first period and pushed the score to 52-24 by halftime. Kendra Reed had 26 points of her game high 37 points in the first half.

For the game, Kendra Reed had 37 points and 8 assists while Porter bagged 30 points and 7 rebounds. Tamara Reed added 11 points, 8 assists and 4 steals. Crystal Skretching and Sara Gilmore added 8 assists and 7 assists each. Shasta Husband led Laurel with 26 points in a losing effort.

The Lady Tigers will play the 8:30pm game against Northeast Lauderdale at Wayne County on Thursday night. Bay High defeated Northeast Lauderdale last year in the South State playoffs.

The defending Class 5A state champion Hancock Lady Hawks (25-8) disposed of a determined Natchez Lady Bulldogs (19-10) squad.

Shondrea Lee opened the game with a three-pointer and Ashley Boehnel followed that with three-pointer and an old-fashioned three-point play to give Hancock an early 9-4

lead.

The Lady Hawks ended the first period with a 5-2 run to make the score 20-12 after the first period of play. Boehnel scored 11 points in the period and showed no lingering signs of a sprained ankle which kept her out of commission for about three weeks.

Natchez ripped off a 6-0 run to start the second period and pull to within two points, 20-18. Christine Singleton ended the Lady Bulldogs run with a steal and a bucket with 6:27 left in the half. Summer Seymour put some distance between the two teams with a three-pointer with 5:06 left to make the score 29-21. Hancock went on to enjoy a 34-25 advantage at halftime.

In the second half, Hancock led by as many as 14 points and used an 8-2 run to open the final period of play to seal the win.

Ashley Boehnel led all scorers with 26 points followed by Christine Singleton with 15 points and Erica Moran with 11 points. Moran added nine rebounds in the contest.

The Lady Hawks will travel to Harrison Central for the Class 5A South State girls tournament on Friday evening for a game against the Moss Point Lady Tigers at 6:30pm.



During the weekend of February 19th, the Creepers Team from Bay Area Youth Soccer (BAYS) won second place in the U-8 Division during the 2005 Great Day of Soccer sponsored by the South Mississippi Soccer Club. Volunteer Coach Shane Kowalski led the girls to the second place victory out of eight teams competing coast-wide. The girls won three out of four games played during the weekend competition. Pictured center is Coach Shane Kowalski and left to right are: (back row) Tricia Williams, Sarah Grover, Georgia Williams (front row) Maggie Kowalski, Caitlyn Bures and Hannah Monroe. The girls attend area schools such as Bay Catholic Elementary, North Bay Elementary and East Hancock Elementary.

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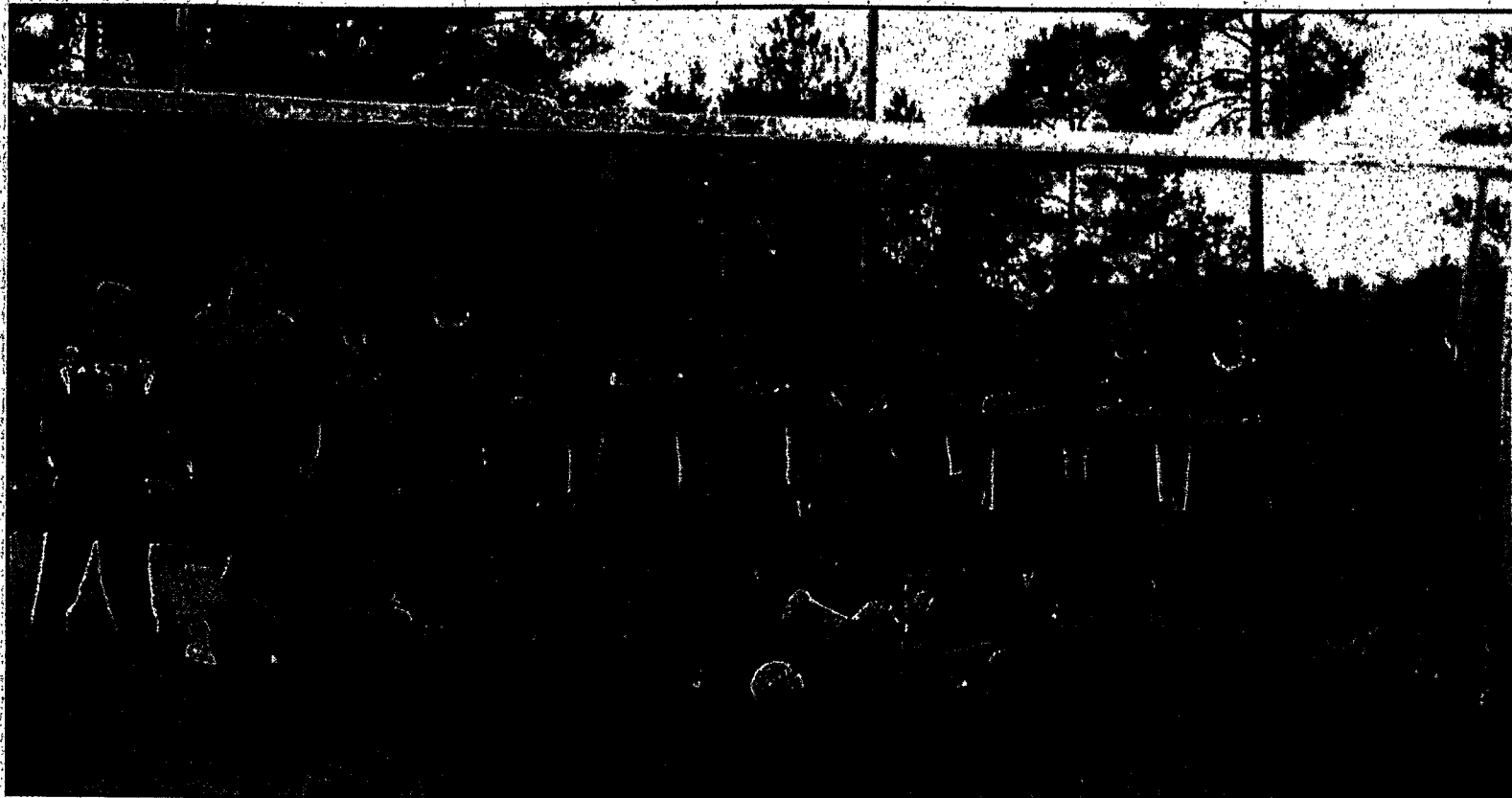
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Sports



2004-2005 Hancock Hawks Boys Soccer Team.

Hawks Boys Soccer team has winning season

BY CHRISTINA VAN DRIEST

At a recent end of season dinner the boy's soccer team from Hancock High came together to reflect on their season and pass out awards. As well, Seniors were able to hand down their jersey numbers to younger players and gag gifts were passed out to each member of the team.

Coach Lindsey began by speaking of the team's successes and firsts over the season. The Hawks ended their season with a final record of 5-10-1 (2-4 in the district).

"This was a tremendous improvement from the year before and an indication soccer is becoming a more recognized sport at Hancock High and will only grow in future success," Lindsey said.

Although the entire team is deserving of praise a few players earned and received



2004-2005 Hancock Hawks Boys Soccer Team seniors.

special acknowledgment. Trophies were presented for the following: "Hawk Pride" Eric Besson, "Best Defensive Player" Justin Ratchiff, "Best Offensive Player" Jon McShane, "Rookie of the Year" Josh Barfield, "Co-MVP's" Ashton Levens and Thomas Donaldson. Coach Lindsey asked that the following achievements be acknowledged as well: leading goal scorers Jon McShane with 9 goals and Ashton Levens with 8, Alex Donaldson

being the first middle school player to ever score, Ryan Dodd being the only middle school player to have multiple goals (and start nearly every game) and also Chance McShane for doing a commendable job in goal. A new tradition was started this year with the graduating seniors handing down their jersey numbers to next season's players: Justin Ratchiff #1 to Ryan Dodd, Thomas Donaldson #5 to Alex Donaldson, Ashton Levens #14 to Josh

Barfield, Andrew Wainey #17 to Cass Kingston, Chance Seal #4 to Ryan Keith, John McShane #22 to Taylor Dearman and Eric Besson #21 to Dustin Sackett. We wish the younger players much success in maintaining and exceeding the level of achievement set by their graduating teammates.

In appreciation the Hancock Players signed and presented Coach Lindsey with a soccer ball and gift certificates.



Irby Dossett of the Tar Heels won the 2005 Bay Waveland Biddy Basketball Hot Shot competition. Hot Shot is a competition where players score points by shooting from designated spots on the court. The player scoring the most points in a minute is the winner. Each of the six teams in the league held their own competition with the high scorer advancing to the finals at halftime of the St. Stanislaus - East Central game. Irby Dossett led all scorers with 21 points in the finals. Almost fifty 6, 7, and 8 year olds are competing in the Bay Waveland Biddy League's inaugural season. Games are played on Sunday afternoons in St. Stanislaus' gym. The league's end of the season tourney is Sunday, March 6th. Pictured from left to right, Austin Miller, John Longo, Noah Nicaud, Jonathon Artigues, Josh Conaway, Patrick McRaney, Jerrod Rigby, Evan Cameron, Evan Lundgren, Bennett Favre, Colton Johnson, Irby Dossett, Matthew Fields, Austin Ladner, Austin Walk, Patrick Daniels, Logan Salter.

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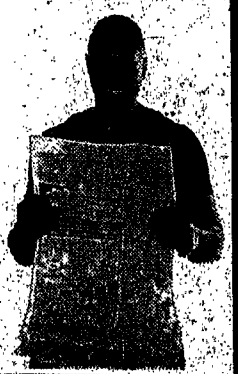
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Entertainment

It's going to be a Broadway Day in the Pass

New Orleans's Jacques Weaver, Tonia LeBlanc Hamilton scheduled for 5th annual 'Music in the Air' at the Palace

THE SEA COAST ECHO

A little bit of Broadway is coming to Pass Christian, Sunday, March 6. The 5th annual Music in the Air Program has changed its tune and will feature a delightful repertoire of Broadway melodies this year. Harpist, pianist, and singer Jacques Weaver of New Orleans returns to the Pass for his second perform-

ance...this time sharing the stage with talented Tonia LeBlanc-Hampton, a vocal student from Nicholls State University in Thibodaux, Louisiana. Both performers will entertain the audience with songs for "It's a Broadway Day."

"Music in the Air" raises funds to support the Pass Christian Chamber of Commerce scholarship pro-

grams. Attend this performance at the Palace in the Pass, 404 East Scenic Drive, Pass Christian. Tickets are \$50 for Patrons and \$20 for General Admission.

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from the University of Southern Mississippi's School of Music entertain. JoAnn York and The Blue Rose Restaurant and Inn will serve gourmet hors d'oeuvres.

General Admission is \$20 per person for the 4 p.m. performance. Cocktails with hors d'oeuvres will be served following the performance.

"Music in the Air: It's a Broadway Day" is a fundraiser for the Pass Christian Chamber of Commerce Education Fund. The funds provide one music and two Presidential Freedom scholarships for Pass Christian students, one general scholarship for any graduating senior who is a resident of Pass Christian but attending school elsewhere, as well as support for Youth Leadership Pass Christian and area teachers.

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Robert Goggins, left, and Heath Hansell.

St. Stanislaus seniors Goggins and Hansel named National Merit Finalists

St. Stanislaus seniors Robert Goggins and Heath Hansell have been named National Merit Finalists, according to Brother Ronald Hingle, SC, Principal.

Robert is the son of Ms. Susan Goggins of Bay St. Louis and Dr. Robert Goggins of Birmingham, Alabama. He is the Student Council President, YMCA Youth Governor for Mississippi, and Editor-in-Chief of The Rock-a-Chaw newspaper. He is a member of National Honor Society, Quiz Bowl Team, Music Ministry, Student Ministry, and Key Club. He received a

third place medal in mathematics and placed in the top 5% in physics at the 2005 Mississippi Mathematics and Science competition.

Heath is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Hansell of Waveland. He is a member of the National Honor Society, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Math Counts, and the varsity soccer team.

Robert and Heath are two of 8,000 Finalists in the 2005 National Merit Scholarship Program. By earning this achievement, they have the opportunity to continue competition for

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Jr. Miss

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served as emcee.

The contestants were judged in five different preliminaries: Scholastic (20 percent); Interview (25 percent); Self Expression (15 percent); Talent (25 percent); and Fitness (15 percent). Girls earned cash scholarships for each preliminary. Winner of the Scholastic Preliminary was Selzer. She is the daughter of Bonnie and Jerry Selzer and attends the Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science.

The Fitness Preliminary was won by Poyadou, daughter of Tish Morel and Rodney Poyadou. She attends Bay High School. Schmitt was selected by contestants as the winner of the "Spirit of Junior Miss." She is the daughter of Joan and Michael Marcello and attends Our Lady Academy.

Slaughter won Interview, Self expression, and Talent Preliminaries. Stephanie was named 2006 Hancock county Junior Miss. She resides with her parents, Deborah and David

Slaughter, in Diamondhead. She attends Hancock High School where she is an officer in the Beta Club, a member of SADD and FCA. She is a member of the Band Color Guard and is on the Elite.

Cheerleader Competition Team, First Alternate was Poyadou of Waveland. She serves as Junior Class Treasurer and is a member of SADD and DECA. She was also Junior Class Homecoming Maid.

Slaughter will represent Hancock County in the Mississippi Junior Miss Programs in Meridian the last week of July.

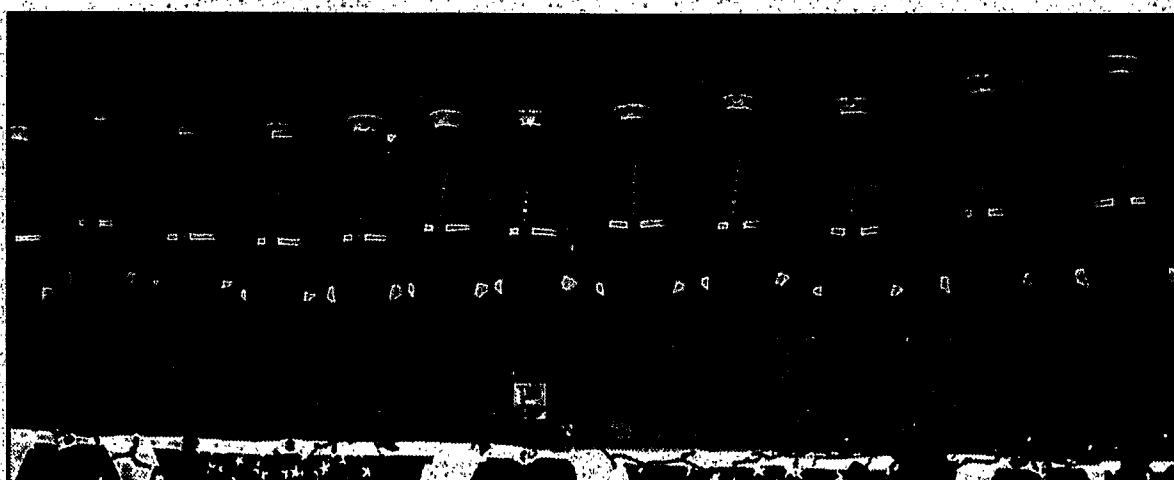
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The 48th annual America's Junior Miss National Finals will be held in Mobile, AL. in June.

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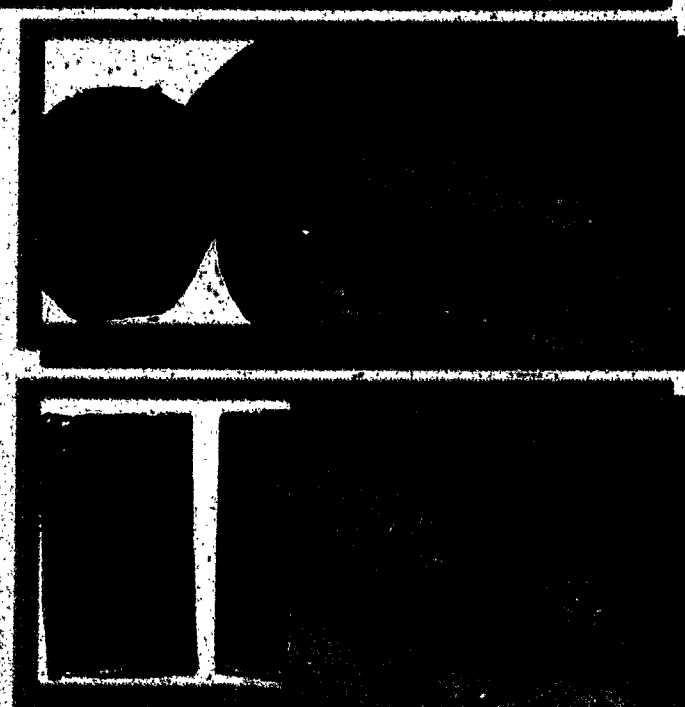
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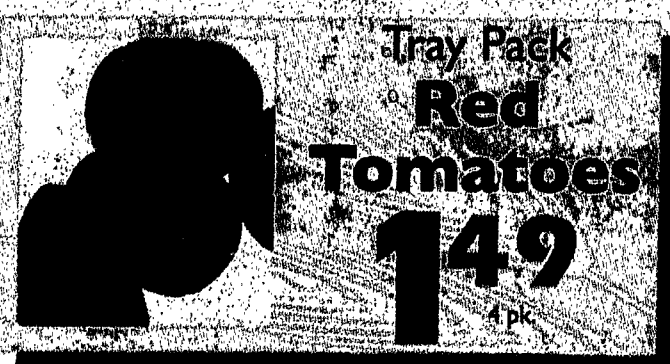
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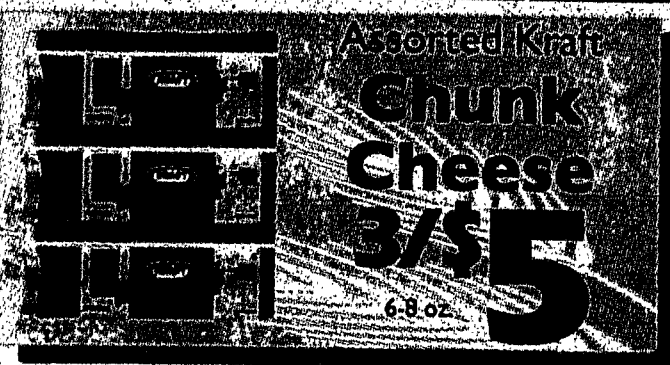


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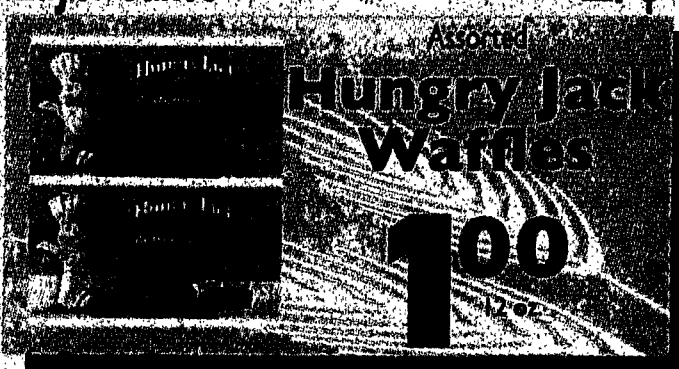


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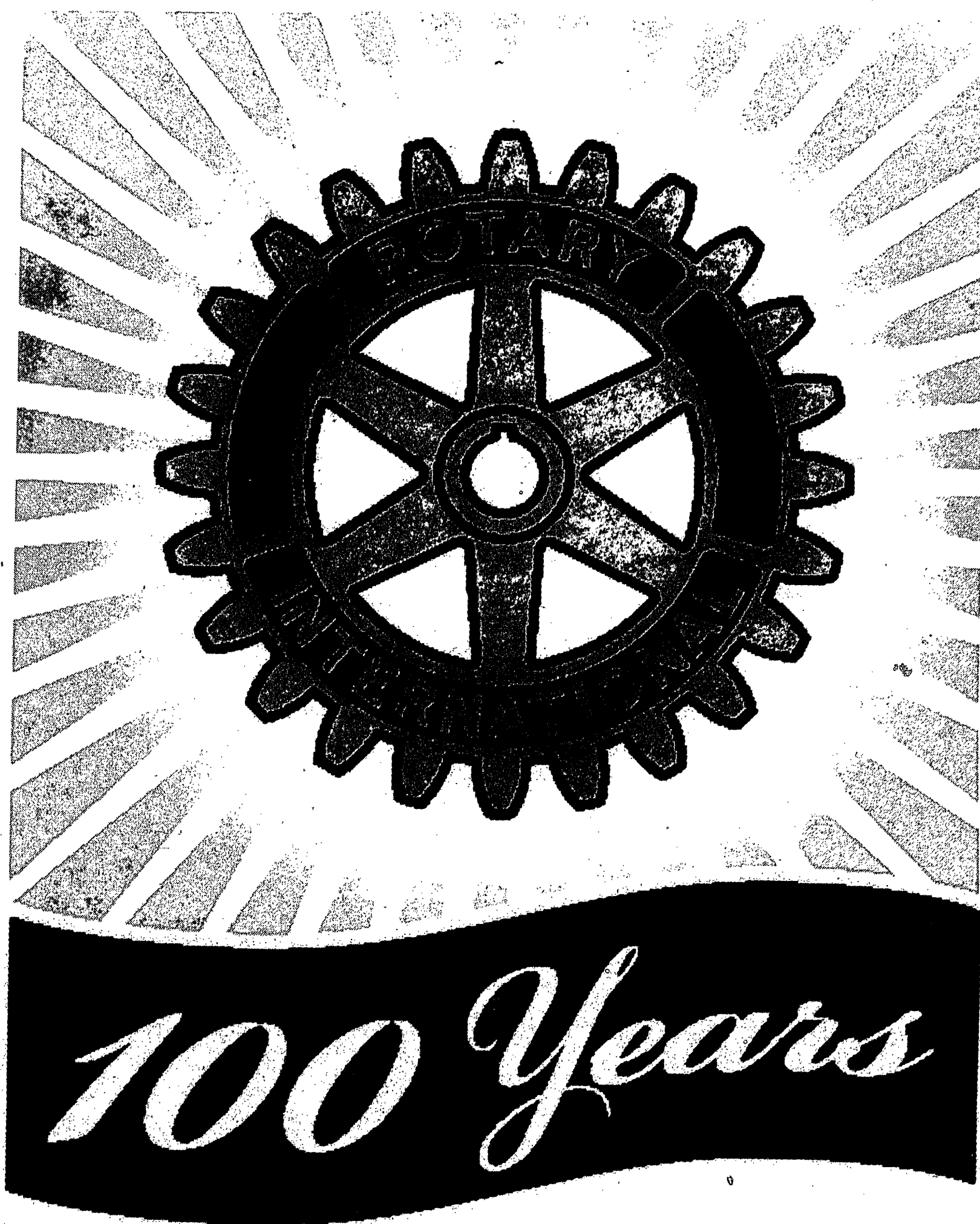
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Rotarians celebrate 100th anniversary

There are few organizations that last a hundred years," says Rotary International President Glenn E. Estess Sr. in a centennial video message to clubs and districts. "The fact that Rotary has reached this important milestone is a sign that there is a tremendous need for all that Rotary offers."

According to the RI president, the outstanding centennial projects and partnerships forged by all the world's Rotary clubs are emblematic of Rotary's service achievements in the past century. "Centennial projects and partnerships show Rotary at its best," says Estess.

The hundreds of special projects and events planned for Rotary's centennial birthday include the following:

* Rotarians throughout New Zealand will be the first to welcome in the centennial by dedicating 100 centennial service projects, many of them addressing environmental and conservation issues.

* More than 1,000 Rotarians in Korea will pack the audience at KBS-TV studios in Seoul for the national broadcast of a one-hour, prime-time tribute to Rotary, which will include the presentation of US\$500,000 collected by Rotary clubs to help victims of the December 2004 tsunami.

* Hundreds of Rotary clubs in South Asia will provide vision-screening clinics for schoolchildren at risk for cataracts, glaucoma, and other preventable or correctable eye conditions.

* In Nairobi, Kenya,

sions to roll up their sleeves at Second Harvest Food Bank, where they will box 58,000 pounds of food for distribution to needy families.

* Thanks to the efforts of Rotarians in Hungary, Rotary club members around the world will be able to attend a virtual Rotary club meeting online at centennial.rotary.hu.

* The Rotary Club of Frankfort, Kentucky, USA, will re-enact the first meeting of Rotary's founders.

Rotary began on the evening of 23 February 1905, when Harris met with three business colleagues in hopes of recapturing in a professional club the same friendly spirit they had experienced growing up in small-town America. They called their club the Rotary Club of Chicago, after the early practice of rotating weekly meetings among members' offices. As the Rotary movement grew and clubs were chartered around the world, Rotarians took up community service projects and promoted ethical standards in business.

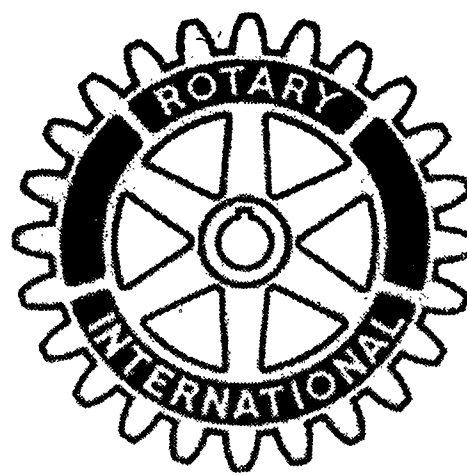
A century later, over 1.2 million men and women are members of more than 31,000 Rotary clubs in 166 countries united under the banner Service Above Self. Through the numerous humanitarian, intercultural, and educational programs of Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation, Rotary clubs work to realize Rotary's vision of improving the human condition and to advance world understanding and peace.

One of the world's largest and most successful volunteer service organizations, Rotary is now working toward meeting its greatest challenge: eradicating polio worldwide.

During this centennial year, Rotary's top priority is stopping the spread of the disease in the world's six remaining polio-endemic countries.

"Eradicating polio will be Rotary's great legacy to the children of the world," says RI President Estess.

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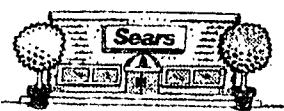
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Rotarians will host national government leaders and members of the diplomatic community at a luncheon roundtable on world peace and understanding, followed by a party for hundreds of disabled children.

* Rotarians in Moscow will travel to a school in the small town of Suzdal, Russia, to donate computers to replace ones that were stolen.

* Millions of moviegoers in France will learn about Rotary when a video about the organization runs as a short feature just before the nationwide debut of a major motion picture.

* A team of Rotarians in Argentina will get a bird's-eye view of the centennial when they reach the summit of Aconcagua, the highest peak in the Western Hemisphere (22,834 feet). Once at the top, they will

plant the flags of Rotary and Argentina.

* Clubs in Jamaica have invited 100 Rotarians from around the world to join them for 100 hours of community service, which will include beach cleanups, tree plantings, and care visits to senior citizens.

* In Chicago, where attorney Paul P. Harris founded Rotary in 1905, members of the Rotary Club of Chicago will announce their participation in the city's summer youth jobs program. Rotarians have committed to provide 100 paid summer internships, one for each Rotary year, for eligible Chicago Public Schools students.

* In Anaheim, California, USA, more than 500 district governors-elect from around the world will break from their International Assembly ses-

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As the Rotary Centennial approaches, Rotarians around the world are encouraged to focus on three key goals for 2005: eradicating polio, increasing membership to 1.5 million members, and supporting The Rotary Foundation of RI's goal of US\$100 per member in donations to the Annual Programs Fund. Once achieved, Rotary will be

more capable of spreading goodwill far into its next century of service.

Eradicating Polio

Through Rotary's efforts and those of partner agencies, including the World Health Organization, the United Nations Children's Fund, the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and governments around the world, the world has seen a 99 percent reduction in the number of

polio cases worldwide since 1985. Fewer than 10 countries still harbor the poliovirus. Rotary's polio eradication fundraising campaign asked that each club set its own goal to support the campaign. Learn more about the fundraising campaign.

Increasing Membership to 1.5 Million Members

In order for Rotary to maintain its status as the premiere service club organi-

zation, it is vital that Rotary's membership continue to grow. With just more than 1.2 million members currently, this goal provides an ambitious challenge to clubs around the world to focus their efforts on inviting new community leaders to join the ranks of Rotary service. Learn more about recruiting members.

Reaching \$100 Per Capita in Annual Giving

To support Rotary's mis-

sion, The Rotary Foundation funds world understanding and peace initiatives through local, national, and international humanitarian, education, and cultural programs. In order to continue and expand the good works of the Foundation into the next century, the organization has committed to try to reach an average of \$100 by the centennial year. Learn more about The Rotary Foundation.

Facts about Rotary

Rotary is made up of business and professional leaders who work to better their community and build understanding and peace in the world. Rotary is a non-political, non-religious humanitarian organization.

There are approximately 1.2 million Rotary club members of more than 31,000 Rotary clubs in 166 countries. Rotary was founded in 1905.

Since 1947, the Rotary Foundation has awarded more than US\$1.1 billion in humanitarian and educational grants, which are administered at the local level.

What do Rotary clubs do?

Rotary projects address critical issues in communities around the world. Here are some of Rotary's focus areas:

* **Polio Eradication** - In 1985, Rotary's members vowed to make the world polio-free. This 20-year commitment to end polio represents the largest private-sector support of a global health initiative to date.

* **Peace** - In an effort to educate tomorrow's peacemakers and ambassadors,

nearly two billion children throughout the world.

* **Today**, there are only a few hundred polio cases worldwide, a 99.8 percent reduction since 1988, when polio paralyzed more than 350,000 children a year.

International Education

Rotary is the world's largest privately funded source of international scholarships. Each year, nearly 1,000 university stu-

dents receive Rotary scholarships to study in another country. Rotary clubs also coordinate a high school-age student exchange program that sends nearly 8,000 students abroad for 3 months to a year.

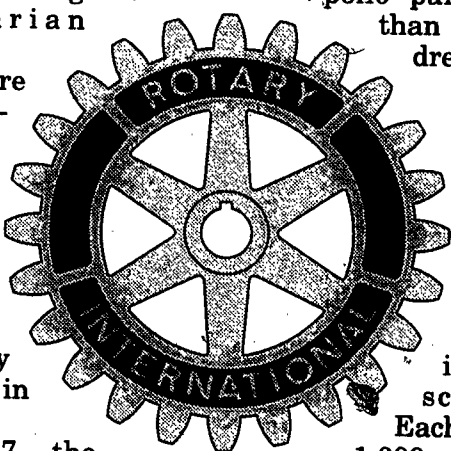
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Rotary recently launched the Rotary Centers for International Studies for peace and conflict studies at eight prestigious universities worldwide. The program provides master's-level degree education in conflict resolution to a group of 70 Rotary World Peace Scholars chosen annually in a world-competitive selection process.

* **Literacy** - Rotary clubs are engaged in the fight against illiteracy worldwide. One example is a Rotary literacy program in Thailand that dramatically reduced school failure and was adopted by the Thai government for all the nation's schools.

What is the purpose of Rotary?

Rotary clubs exist to improve communities locally and around the world. Rotary also encourages high ethical standards in business and professions. Rotary clubs work to advance international understanding by partnering with clubs in other countries.



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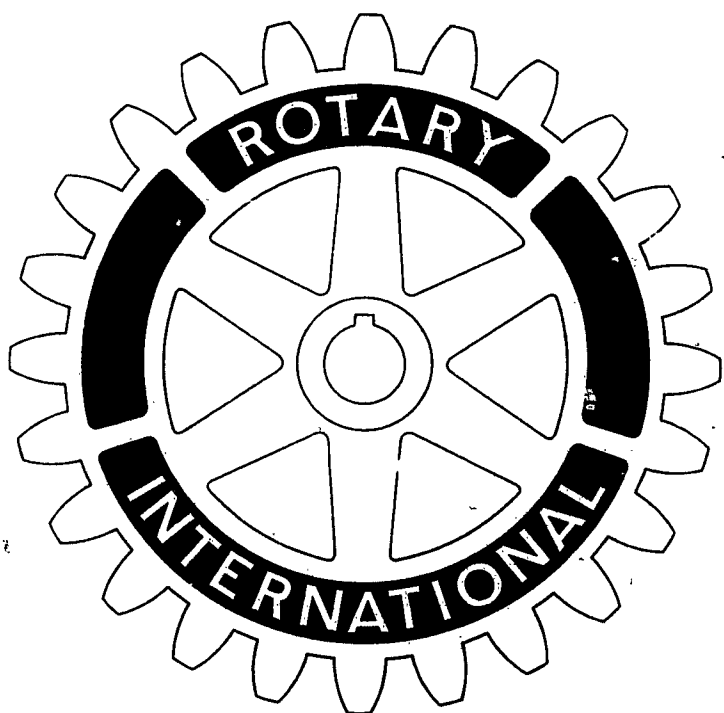
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J. Norton Haas	1936-38	Dick Kosbab	1979-80
Rene de Mondluzin	1938-39	Ellis Cuevas	1980-81
Jesse Gray	1939-40	Robert Kane	1981-82
H. Grady Perkins	1940-42	Jim Evans	1982-83
Howard Letissier	1942-44	Mark Uram	1983-84
Horace Kergosien	1944-45	David Treutel	1984-85
Al Cox	1945-46	Carl Guy	1985-86
Dan Russell	1946-47	John Mason	1986-87
Octave Delph	1947-48	David Treutel Jr.	1987-88
Sol Ingram	1948-49	Herbert Dubuisson	1988-89
Homer Gregory	1949-50	Dusty Rhodes	1989-90
Alden Mauffray	1950-51	Craig Foster	1990-91
Robert Hamilton	1951-52	Jay Fleuriot	1991-92
Benjamins Hille	1952-53	Steve Benvenuti	1992-93
Robert Hamilton	1953-54	Randy Ponder	1993-94
Kenneth Whitfield	1954-55	Dr. Frank Conaway	1994-95
Hardin Shattuck	1955-56	Don Miller	1995-96
D. Howard Adams	1956-57	Frances Graves	1996-97
David McDonald	1957-58	Cindy Vernon	1997-98
Charles Johnson	1958-59	Raymos McMillian	1998-99
Kenneth Pepperdene	1959-60	Hal Leftwich	1999-00
Dr. Walter Russo	1960-61	Pam Metzler	2000-01
W. Ray Gordon	1961-62	Charlotte Santa Cruz	2001-02
Thomas Gardner	1962-63	Cary Trapani/Amy Corr	2002-03
J. Hugh Miller	1963-64	Jody Compretta	2003-04
Thomas Logue	1964-65	David Mayley	2004-05
Joseph Marochino	1965-66		
Reuben Gray	1966-67		
Joseph McCullouch	1967-68		
William Frisbie	1968-69		
J. Ruble Griffin	1969-70		

History of the Rotary emblem



Rotary's early emblem was a simple wagon wheel (in motion with dust). It was designed in 1905 by Montague M. Bear, a member of the Rotary Club of Chicago who was an engraver. He designed the emblem to represent both civilization and movement. Most of the early Rotary clubs adopted the wheel in one form or another.

In 1922, the organization decided to create and preserve an emblem for the exclusive use of all Rotarians, and the following year, the present emblem, a gearwheel with 24 cogs and six spokes, was adopted. A keyway was added to signify the usefulness of the gearwheel.

An official description of the emblem was adopted at the 1929 International Convention. Royal blue and gold were chosen as the official Rotary colors and the flag of Rotary was designated as a white field with the emblem emblazoned in its center. The emblem, worn as a lapel pin, now identifies Rotarians around the world.

The Rotary emblem is a trademark owned by Rotary International and is protected throughout the world by the international association. The emblem is a registered trademark in more than 35 countries to date.

Rotary milestones

- 1905** First Rotary club organized in Chicago, Illinois, USA
- 1908** Second club formed in San Francisco, California, USA
- 1910** First Rotary convention held in Chicago
- 1912** The Rotary Club of Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, becomes the first club outside the United States to be officially chartered. (The club was formed in 1910.)
- 1917** Endowment fund, forerunner of The Rotary Foundation, established
- 1932** 4-Way Test formulated by Chicago Rotarian Herbert J. Taylor
- 1945** Forty-nine Rotarians help draft United Nations Charter in San Francisco
- 1947** Rotary founder Paul Harris dies; first 18 Rotary Foundation scholarships granted
- 1962** First Interact club formed in Melbourne, Florida, USA
- 1965** Rotary Foundation launches Matching Grants and Group Study Exchange programs
- 1978** RI's largest convention, with 39,834 registrants, held in Tokyo
- 1985** Rotary announces PolioPlus program to immunize all the children of the world against polio
- 1989** Council on Legislation opens Rotary membership to women worldwide; Rotary clubs chartered in Budapest, Hungary, and Warsaw, Poland, for first time in almost 50 years
- 1990-91** Preserve Planet Earth program inspires some 2,000 Rotary-sponsored environmental projects
- 1994** Western Hemisphere declared polio-free
- 1999** Rotary Centers for International Studies in Peace and Conflict Resolution established
- 2000** Western Pacific declared polio-free
- 2001** 30,000th Rotary club chartered
- 2002** Europe declared polio-free; first class of 70 Rotary Peace Scholars begin study
- 2003** Rotarians raise more than US\$118 million to support the final stages of polio eradication

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Object of Rotary

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

FIRST. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

SECOND. High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

FOURTH. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.



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Rotary's founder had world-vision

Paul Harris was born in Racine, Wis. on April 19, 1868, but moved at the age of three to Wallingford, Vt., to be raised by his grandparents.

In the foreword to his autobiography "My Road to Rotary," he credits the friendliness and tolerance he found in Vermont as the inspiration for the creation of Rotary.

Trained as a lawyer, Harris gave himself five years after his graduation from law school in 1891 to see as much of the world as possible before settling down and hanging out his shingle.

During that time, he traveled widely, supporting himself with a great variety of jobs.

He worked as a reporter in San Francisco; a teacher at a

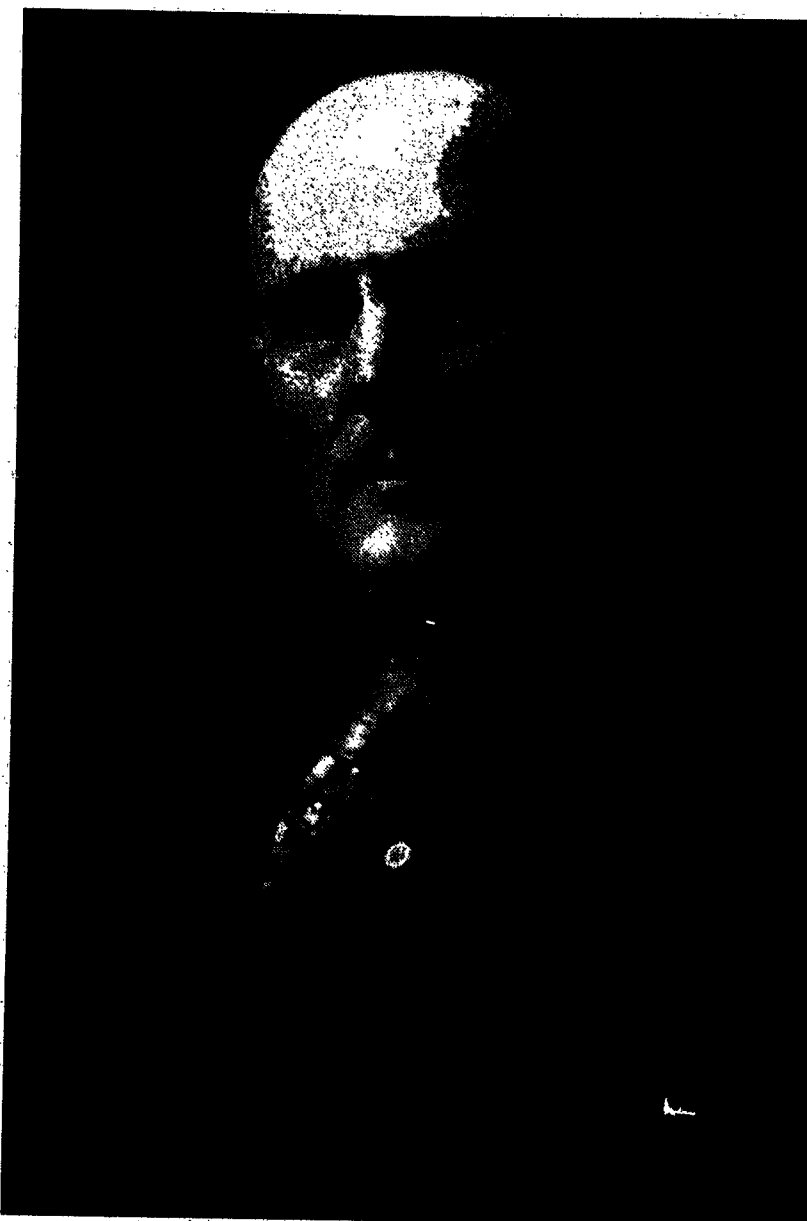
business college in Los Angeles; a cowboy in Colorado; a desk clerk in Jacksonville, Fl.; a tender of cattle on a freighter to England; and as a traveling salesman for a granite company, covering both the U.S. and Europe.

Remaining true to his five-year plan, he settled in Chicago in 1896, and it was there on the evening of February 23, 1905, that he met with three friends to discuss his idea for a businessman's club.

This is commonly regarded as the first Rotary club meeting.

Over the next five years, the movement spread as Rotary clubs were formed in other U.S. cities.

When the National Association of Rotary Clubs



Paul Harris, the founder of Rotary

organization's only president-emeritus - Paul continued to travel extensively, promoting the spread of Rotary both in the USA and abroad.

A prolific writer, Paul wrote several books about the early days of the organization and the role he was privileged to play in it. These include "The Founder of Rotary," "This Rotarian Age," and the autobiographical "My Road to Rotary."

He also wrote several volumes of "Periphrations," detailing his many travels.

In a visit to the Bay St. Louis Rotary Club in March 1940, Harris said that Rotary had to be simple to fit his mind.


"Rotary is the essence of simplicity, loyalty, friendliness and service," he said.

He recalled that the Chicago club opened with four members and four religions, and that it spread to California, then to Canada, where "the doubting Thomases were met, and then across the seas where more Thomases lived, and now Rotary has its own little world of peace in sixty nations of the world."

"We plant friendship trees wherever we go, and now and then we get a photo of a leaf from them."

Harris died in Chicago on Jan. 27, 1947.

held its first convention in 1910, Harris was elected president. After his term - and as the



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Declaration of Rotarians

The Declaration of Rotarians in Businesses and Professions was adopted by the Rotary International Council on Legislation in 1989 to provide more specific guidelines for the high ethical standards called for in the Object of Rotary:

As a Rotarian engaged in a business or profession, I am expected to:

- * Consider my vocation to be another opportunity to serve;
- * Be faithful to the let-

ter and to the spirit of the ethical codes of my vocation, to the laws of my country, and to the moral standards of my community;

* Do all in my power to dignify my vocation and to promote the highest ethical standards in my chosen vocation;

* Be fair to my employer, employees, associates, competitors, customers, the public, and all those with whom I have a business or professional relationship;

* Recognize the honor and respect due to all occupations which are useful to soci-

ety;

* Offer my vocational talents: to provide opportunities for young people, to work for the relief of the special needs of others, and to improve the quality of life in my community;

* Adhere to honesty in my advertising and in all representations to the public concerning my business or profession;

* Neither seek from nor grant to a fellow Rotarian a privilege or advantage not normally accorded others in a business or professional relationship.

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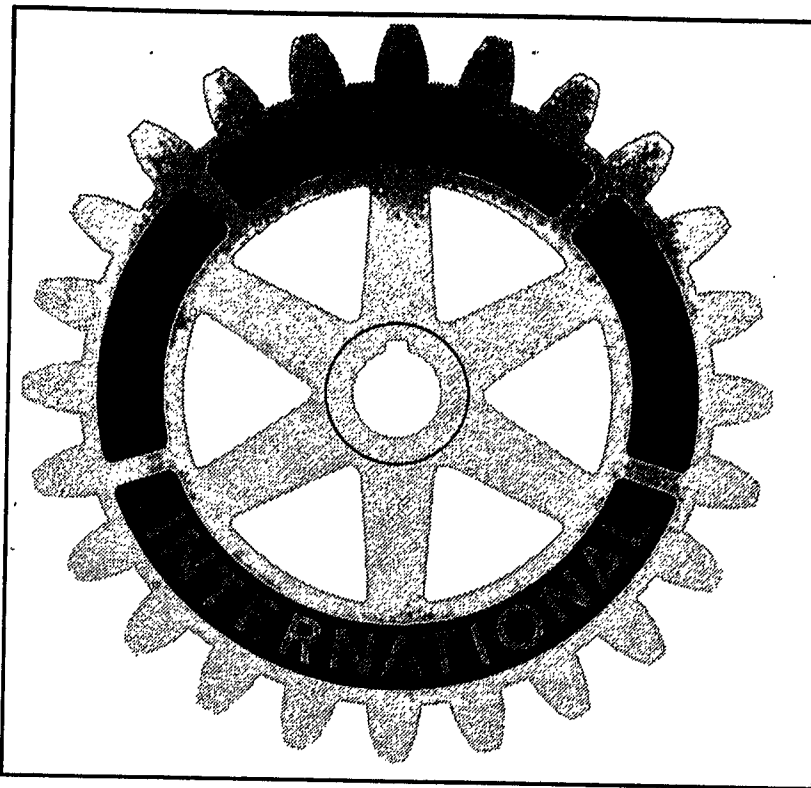
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Senate honors Rotary International

BY JOSEPH DERR
Rotary International
News

The United States Senate recognized the many contributions of Rotary with a resolution declaring 23 February as Rotary International Day. Issued on 17 February in honor of Rotary's 100th anniversary, the resolution "recognizes Rotary International for 100 years of service to improving the human condition in communities throughout the world," as reported in the Congressional Record. (Read the entire resolution by searching for "cr17fe05-143" at the Congressional Record Web site.)

Richard Durbin, of Illinois, submitted the resolution during the 17 February session in Washington, D.C., along with fellow Illinoisan Barack



Obama, Ted Stevens, of Alaska, and Russ Feingold, of Wisconsin.

"In recent years, Rotary International has helped communities around the

world to address some of the critical needs of our day, including disease, hunger, illiteracy, environmental degradation, and children at risk," said California's Barbara Boxer during a 4 January session discussing the resolution. "On the occasion of the Rotary Centennial, I send my sincere appreciation and best wishes to Rotary International and Rotarians everywhere."

Past RI President James Lacy was one of the many Rotarians and RI staff members who worked diligently to have the resolution considered. Lacy also works closely with Stevens and other members of Congress as part of RI's collaboration with the U.S. Centers for Disease

Control and Prevention and USAID on polio eradication.

"This is quite a great honor for Rotary International on its centennial," said Lacy, speaking from the International Assembly in Anaheim. "This is the first such resolution that has come through the U.S. Congress and will go into the permanent records of the Senate."

U.S. Representative Jan Schakowsky, of Illinois, who represents the district in which RI World Headquarters is located, is expected to submit the same resolution to the House of Representatives with representatives Mark Kirk, of Illinois, Brad Sherman, of California, and Joe Wilson, of South Carolina.

Area Rotary Club listings

Local area Rotary Clubs, their meeting location and time include the following:

Slidell Fri 1200
Pinewood Country Club, 405
Country Club Blvd. 985-5-
290-8637 (Melody)

Slidell North Shore Tue
0730 Pinewood Country
Club, Slidell 985-649-4849

Bay St. Louis Wed
1200 Bay-Waveland Yacht
Club

Biloxi Tue 1200
Mary Mahoney's Old French
House 228-388-3885

Edgewater (Biloxi-
Gulfport) Wed 1200
Broadwater Hotel 228-
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Edgewater Sunrises
(Biloxi/Gulfport) Fri
0700 Biloxi Beach Front
Hotel 228-864-1111

Gautier Thu 1200
Tiki Rest., Mary Walker

Bayou 228-497-3892

Gulfport Thu 1200
Great Southern Club,
Hancock Bank 228-214-7253

Gulfport-Orange Grove
Mon 1200 Holiday Inn-
Airport 228-868-4409

Hattiesburg Tue
1200 Southern Oaks 601-
2619624

Hattiesburg (Sunrise)
Wed 0700 Wesley
Medical Ctr. 601-5835351

Long Beach Wed
0700 Lookout Rest., Long
Beach Harbor 228-8637363

Lucedale Mon 1200
Ms. Gulf Coast Comm.
College Cafeteria 601-
9478557

Moss Point Thu 0700
Dantzler Memorial United
Methodist Church 228-
4746747

Ocean Springs Wed

1200 Christus Victor
Lutheran Church 228-
8181191

Pascagoula Wed 1215
LaFont Inn 228-7693240

Pass Christian Tue
1215 Pass Christian Yacht
Club 228-8641596

Picayune Tue 1200
Magnolia Columns Rest. 601-
749-3002

Poplarville Wed 1200
Pearl River Comm. College
Cafeteria 601-7951318

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Tue 1130 Bldg. 1103,
Herman Glazier Conf. Rm.
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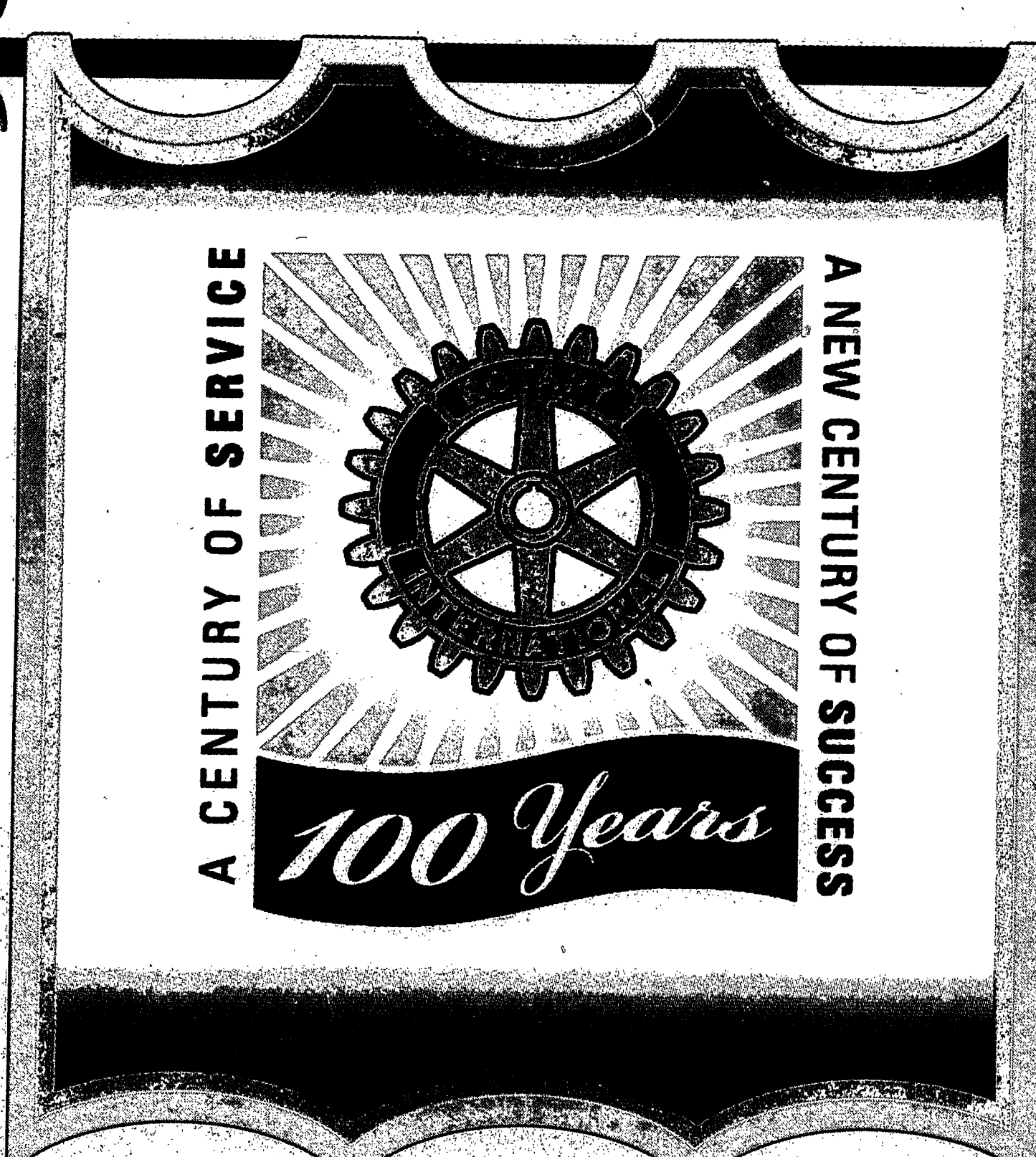
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